

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 1890 - HB 1775

February 8, 2014

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes part-time employees of state colleges of applied technology (TCAT) to enroll in one course per term at any state supported college, university, or TCAT, without paying tuition charges, maintenance fees, student activity fees or registration fees.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$36,700/FY14-15

Exceeds \$36,700/FY15-16 and Subsequent Fiscal Years

Assumptions:

- The Tennessee Board of Regents (TBR) estimates that 11 part-time TCAT employees will take two three-hour courses at a TBR university each year (or one course per semester).
- Based on information received from TBR, the annual tuition waiver in FY15-16 is estimated to be 1,584.
- In FY14-15, the increase in state expenditures for tuition waivers at a TBR university is estimated to be \$17,424 (\$1,584 x 11).
- TBR estimates that three part-time TCAT employees will take two three-hour courses at a TBR community college each year (or one course per semester).
- Based on information received from TBR, the annual tuition waiver is estimated to be \$884.
- In FY14-15, the increase in state expenditures for tuition waivers at TBR community colleges is estimated to be \$2,652 (\$884 x 3).
- Based on the current employee waiver program, TBR estimates that no part-time employees will take a course at TCAT.
- The University of Tennessee (UT) estimates that eight part-time TCAT employees will take two three-hour courses at a UT institution each year (or one course each semester).
- Based on information received from UT, the annual tuition waiver is estimated to be \$2,073.
- In FY14-15, the increase in state expenditures for tuition waivers at UT institutions is estimated to be \$16,584 (\$2,073 x 8)

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- The total increase in state expenditures in FY14-15 is estimated to be \$36,660 (\$17,424 + \$2,652 + \$16,584).
- The increase in state expenditures in FY15-16 and subsequent years is estimated to exceed \$36,660.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Lucian" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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